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April 30, 2010

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed the review of the following amendment to the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) 2008/09-2011/12 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

15 State and Local Elements

- Modifies projects from various programs in the StanCOG region. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Highway Safety Improvement Program, Highway Bridge Program, Highway Maintenance Program, and the High Priority Projects Program.
- StanCOG has requested to exclude "Highway Bridge Program Grouped Project Listing" project from this amendment. StanCOG has made the determination that the funding programmed for this project is not consistent with the funding approved by Caltrans Program Manager. Documentation from StanCOG is enclosed.

See enclosed.

The StanCOG Board Resolution adopting this FTIP amendment certifies that projects included satisfy the transportation conformity provisions, and meet the requirements of public involvement.

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Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve StanCOG's Amendment No. 15. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP amendment, in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of projects for federal funding.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde, of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

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Chief

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Enclosures

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